

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA**

**CHRISTOPHER RYAN SPARKS,**

**Plaintiff,**

**v.**

**GARFIELD COUNTY JAIL, et al.,**

**Defendants.**

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**Case No. CIV-14-1317-F**

**REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION**

Plaintiff, a prisoner appearing *pro se*, has filed this action under 42 U.S.C. 1983 alleging various violations of his constitutional rights. Pursuant to an order entered by United States District Judge Stephen P. Friot, this matter has been referred to the undersigned magistrate judge for initial proceedings consistent with 28 U.S.C § 636(b)(1)(B). On December 5, 2014, the undersigned entered an order granting Plaintiff's Motion to Proceed *In Forma Pauperis* (ECF No. 4), but ordered Plaintiff to pay an initial partial filing fee of \$7.67. Plaintiff was advised that he could voluntarily dismiss this action in accordance with Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(a) on or before December 29, 2014, without incurring any fees or costs. Plaintiff was further cautioned that the undersigned would recommend that the action be **DISMISSED** without prejudice if Plaintiff failed to comply with his obligation to make the initial partial payment.

As of this date, Plaintiff has failed to pay the filing fee as required. In fact, Plaintiff has not responded to the Court's order in any way. Thus, the action is subject

to dismissal without prejudice to re-filing. Local Civil Rule 3.4(a); *See Cosby v. Meadors*, 351 F.3d 1324, 1326-33 (10<sup>th</sup> Cir. 2003) (upholding dismissal of civil rights complaint based on noncompliance with orders requiring installments on the filing fee or to show cause for the failure to pay). *See also Kennedy v. Reid*, No. 06-1075, 208 Fed. Appx. 678 (10<sup>th</sup> Cir. Dec. 13, 2006) (finding no abuse of discretion in district court's dismissal without prejudice of section 1983 action due to litigant's failure to timely pay initial filing fee); *Campanella v. Utah County Jail*, Nos. 02-4183, 02-4215, 02-4235, 78 Fed. Appx. 72, 73 (10<sup>th</sup> Cir. Oct. 10, 2003) (same). Moreover, under Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(b) a district court may dismiss an action because the plaintiff fails to comply with a court order requiring partial payments. *Cosby*, 351 F.3d at 1327.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

In light of the forgoing, the undersigned hereby recommends that this action be **DISMISSED** without prejudice for Plaintiff's failure to pay the initial filing fee as ordered by the Court. Plaintiff is advised that any objections to this Report and Recommendation must be filed with the Clerk of this Court on or before **January 30, 2015**, in accordance with 28 U.S.C § 636 and Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 72. Failure to make timely objection to this Report and Recommendation waives the right to appellate review of both the factual findings and the legal issues decided herein. *Casanova v. Ulibarri*, 595 F.3d 1120, 1123 (10<sup>th</sup> Cir. 2010).

This Report and Recommendation **disposes of all issues** referred to the Magistrate Judge in the captioned matter.

**ENTERED** on January 13, 2015.



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SHON T. ERWIN  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE